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### Official Programme at Amoy.

Thursday, October 29:—Arrival of Battleship Squadron. Official Visits.  
8.00 p.m.—Dinner at American Consulate to Commanding Officers and Chinese Reception Committee.  
Friday, October 30:—Official Calls. 3.00 p.m.—men to be entertained ashore.  
9.30 a.m.—Football game (semi-final).  
12.30 noon.—Luncheon on parade grounds.  
2.30 p.m.—Boat races.  
3.30 p.m.—Presentation of prizes by Rear Admiral C.P. Sah, Commanding U.S. Fleet, to the Chinese Squadron I.C.N.  
4.00 p.m.—Boxing Contest on parade grounds.  
7.00 p.m.—Chinese dinner and Chinese entertainment for 3,000 men on parade grounds.  
Saturday, October 31:—3,000 men to be entertained ashore.  
9.30 a.m.—Baseball game on parade grounds (semi-final).  
12.30 noon.—Luncheon on parade grounds.  
2.30 p.m.—Field sports on parade grounds.  
3.30 p.m.—Presentation of Field sports prizes by His Excellency Liang Yun Yun, Vice President, Foreign Board, Peking.  
7.00 p.m.—Chinese dinner and entertainment for 3,000 men.  
Sunday, November 1:—No official programme.  
At noon luncheon will be served on parade grounds.  
At 4 p.m. tea will be served at various Chinese Temples.  
Monday, November 2:—3,000 men to be entertained ashore.  
9.30 a.m.—Football game on parade grounds (semi-final).  
12.00 noon.—Reception of officers and Chinese officials at Foreign Club, Kulangsu, by Amoy foreign community. 12.30 luncheon at Foreign Club.  
12.30 noon.—Luncheon on parade grounds for men.  
2.30 p.m.—Baseball game on parade grounds.  
3.00 p.m.—Tennis and sports on Public Recreation Grounds, Kulangsu, for entertainment of Officers and Chinese Officials.  
5.00 p.m.—Tea to officers and Chinese officials on Public Recreation Grounds to be served by ladies of foreign community.  
8.00 p.m.—Boxing contest on parade grounds.  
7.00 p.m.—Dinner on parade grounds, Chinese theatricals and other Chinese entertainments.  
9.00 p.m.—Dance at Foreign Club to officers and ladies, to be followed by supper and display of fireworks.  
Tuesday, November 3:—Her Majesty's, the Empress Dowager's birthday anniversary. 5,000 men to be entertained ashore.  
9.30 a.m.—Final football game, on parade grounds.  
11.30 to 12.30.—Reception by Chinese officials at Parade Grounds Reception Hall.  
1.00 p.m.—Luncheon on parade grounds.  
2.30 p.m.—Final baseball game.  
7.00 p.m.—Dinner to Officers, men and foreign community on parade grounds.  
9.30 p.m.—Presentation of Football and Baseball trophies by His Excellency the Prince.  
9.30 p.m.—Grand display of fireworks.  
Wednesday, November 4:—Departure of Battleship Squadron.

## FROM MEXICO.

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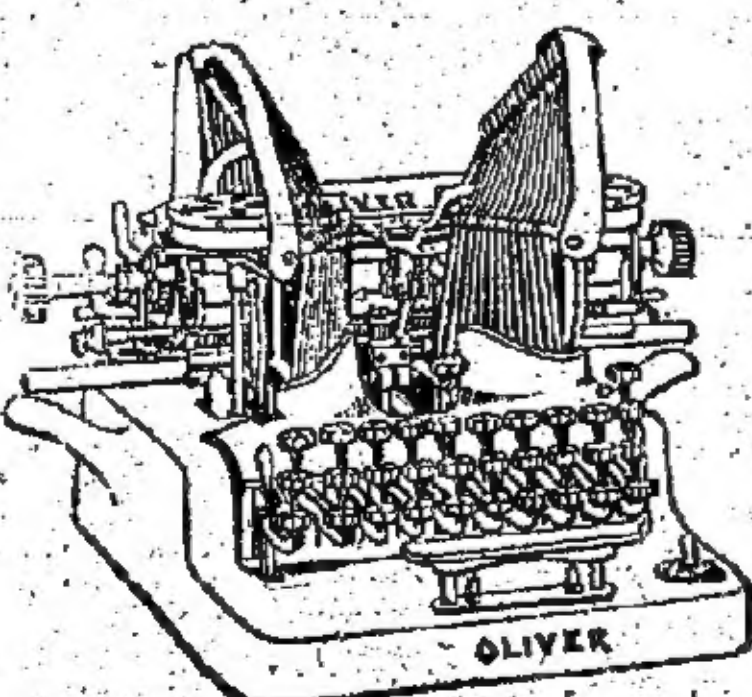
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MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

Miscellaneous

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General Memoranda.

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on this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, September 10.—

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SATURDAY, September 12.—

Noon—Meeting of Hongkong Hotel Co.,  
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8.15 p.m.—Volunteer Concert at the  
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MONDAY, September 14.—

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SATURDAY, September 19.—

Noon—Meeting of Douglas Steamship  
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FRIDAY, September 25.—

5.30 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong St.  
Andrew's Society at City Hall.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, SEPT. 6, 1908.

THE DECAY OF IDEALS.

YESTERDAY we drew attention to the  
interesting discussion now proceeding  
in the Japanese press concerning the  
alleged decay of morality in Japan.

Curiously enough a similar debate has  
been taking place in England with  
reference to the decay of ideals among  
the British people. Lord Mearns opened  
the discussion in a letter to the *Standard*  
in which he deplored the decadence of  
ideals and quoted the despairing cry of  
the old Hebrew seer, "Where there  
is no vision the people perish." And  
then his Lordship continues:—

Whenever a people have failed or  
have ceased to be inspired by noble  
ideals, and have permitted themselves to  
sink into a selfish materialism, however  
wealthy or outwardly powerful they may  
have appeared to their contemporaries,  
they have invariably perished; some-  
times suddenly and tragically, to the  
astonishment of a drowsy world. On  
the other hand, when, under an effete  
or materialistic Government, a people  
have become conscious of noble visions  
unseen by their rulers, armies and  
navies, the torture and the rack, wealth  
and power have failed to hinder such a  
people in the ultimate realization of it.  
All events, some portion of the ideals  
inspiring the noble race which, like the  
myth of Sir Galahad, has given to each  
individual man the strength of ten.

Are we, the British people of to-day,  
conscious of the calls of spiritual voices?

Do we hear, in the silence of our  
chambers, the still small voice which  
bids us forget self and seek the higher  
welfare of the nation and of the com-  
munity, or are we wallowing in the  
delights of an age when science, art,  
and the resources of civilisation have  
become the humble handmaids of a  
selfish devotion to physical and material  
comfort? If the latter contention be true,  
we need not flatter ourselves that we  
shall escape the punishment which  
history shows has inevitably followed  
such conduct on the part of mankind.  
The laws of the universe are not to be  
broken with impunity. Nature is a  
stern mother and knows not the word  
reprieve. She must be obeyed, or she  
punishes.

Lord Mearns invited discussion and  
among the letters which the *Standard*  
printed was one in which the following  
paragraphs appear:—

There is something unhealthy in the  
present temper of the British people.  
The impatience of self-restraint; the  
shallow emotionalism, of which we had  
an example in the Courts of Justice only  
last week, and of which every month  
brings fresh instances to light; the  
indifference to calls of duty, manifested  
in our questions of defence and the  
maintenance of the Empire; the loose  
moral tone which finds its expression in  
the popular literature of the day; the  
love of ease and pleasure which runs  
through society from the peer down to  
the costermonger; the decay of good  
manners and the natural courtesy due  
from man to man, which is as much  
evident in good society as in the ranks  
tutored by the board schools; the grow-  
ing insensitiveness to questions of per-  
sonal honour, constant being discovered  
even when the ready side of our com-  
mercial life is revealed in some sensational  
law case—all these seem to me sad-  
dening signs of the degeneration of our  
national fibre.

I do not, however, despair of the  
British people. They are, I feel con-  
vinced, at the beginning of a decline,  
but the decline can still be arrested if  
new and powerful influences are brought  
to bear. Largely it is a matter of  
leadership. England is governed at  
the moment by little men. In politics,  
in religion, in literature, in art, there  
is very little evidence of commanding  
genius. The merely clever man seems  
to be in the forefront everywhere. I  
decline to believe that greatness is an  
extinct quality, but with all our advance  
in education, with all our progress in  
democratic ideas, we appear to be losing  
the knack of enlisting men of supreme  
qualities in the national service. Here,  
as in France, we have the reign of the  
average man. Germany, alone among  
European nations, has a ruler at all  
resembling the old heroic model.

If you will allow me I would like to  
point out what I consider a striking  
parallel between the present age and  
the middle of the eighteenth century.  
Then, as now, England was ruled, by  
men of sober common sense, good  
average capacity, considerable shrewd-  
ness, and extremely feeble moral sense.  
There was no "vision." The dreamer  
of dreams, the man willing to sacrifice  
all to an idea, was never regarded with  
more complete contempt. To use a  
Carlyle metaphor, Government had  
ceased to be a question of who should  
wield the sceptre of power, and had  
become a question of who should handle  
the "spigot of taxation." Under the  
Walpoles and Pelhams in the State, and  
their counterparts in the Church, the  
spirit and vigour of the English people  
declined to an astonishing degree. A  
coarse materialism dominated all classes.  
Religion was to a large extent unbelieved  
decently veiled by hypocrisy; patriotism  
was a mere masquerade for the most  
sordid personal selfishness. "Patriot,"  
indeed, was almost a synonym for  
rascal; and the cynically candid  
reputation of humbug," by Walpole,  
was almost respectable by the side of  
the pretended virtue of some of his  
opponents. Every sign of decadence  
was to be seen, even in physical  
Englandmen were suspect.

"We are no longer a nation," was the  
judgment of an cool-headed observer  
as Lord Chesterfield. A handful  
of Scotch Highlanders, under Prince  
Charles Edward, was actually able  
to advance as far as Derby without  
a check, and London was in a  
perfect state of panic at the  
prospect of a Stuart restoration. It  
was panic, pure and simple, for nobody  
seemed to want to fight, and it was the  
opinion of many competent authorities  
that with rather more stable and  
powerful following a restoration would  
have been effected.

Look forward a few years, and  
observe the advance in the national  
spirit. Pitt took command of affairs;  
his lofty genius rekindled the whole  
people; the cowards and loungers of the  
previous regime were succeeded in every  
department by a class of statesmen  
and soldiers who were determined to  
succeed at any cost. India and Canada  
were added to the British possessions.  
The French armies were routed on  
every battlefield in Europe, and in  
commemorative, as well as warfare, the  
British race showed a spirit of enter-  
prise and determination that did much  
to prepare the country for the great  
struggle against Napoleon.

This is one classic example of the  
power of ideals. Pitt cared nothing  
about money. He had no ambition to  
be rich himself, and he cared nothing  
how much he made the nation spend.  
The latter point the taxpayers do not  
with our present rulers to emulate,  
but the expenditure of the millions Pitt  
squandered would be a cheap price for  
the advent of his like into present-day  
life. Unless our politics are dominated  
by men of a loftier stamp than the  
average Minister of to-day (I speak  
quite independently of party) I am  
afraid Great Britain is destined to  
pursue the road to decline.

There is a good deal of truth in this  
indictment and the parallel between

the present age and the middle of the  
eighteenth century is not inap-  
propriate. There is a very distinct lower-  
ing in the range of national ideals at  
the present day. Individualism and  
the achievement of personal comfort  
regardless of the feelings of one's neigh-  
bour have been pursued to the most un-  
healthy lengths and the moral fibre of  
the nation is suffering accordingly. The  
lift is that the man or woman who is  
to play a part in the struggle of self-satisfied  
material content is at present not dis-  
cernible. We have far more brilliant,  
cultured men and women at the head  
of affairs to-day than the nation ever  
had before; the general intelligence of  
the nation has risen remarkably since  
1870, while the average of material con-  
fidence is more wide spread; but "there is  
no vision." There is no gainsaying that.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Gazette contains information with  
regard to brewery licenses and regulations.

Shippers arriving in Bangkok of late,  
report rough weather in the Gulf, and  
especially on the Hongkong Bangkok run.

There is a question of proposed re-  
forms in Indo-China which includes the  
resumption of the Annamite mandarins,  
administrative decentralisation, and the  
rearrangement of the fiscal regime.

The generosity of Chinamen is well  
known, and their Society in London, the  
Sheng Yee Tong, has just made a con-  
tribution of £20 to the Seamen's Hospital,  
where many Chinese seamen are treated.

In memory of Hilda Marie, wife of  
Capt. P. H. M. Taylor, married 1st  
October, 1907. Died, 1st December,  
1907, is the inscription on a white marble  
tablet which has been placed on the wall  
of the South transept of St. John's  
Cathedral.

It is proposed by His Excellency, the  
Governor, to grant a Crown lease of the  
portion of foreshore and seabed or land  
covered by the sea situated at Tai O in  
Lantau Island in the New Territories, as  
well as portions of the foreshore at Deep  
Bay.

According to a recent decision of the  
German Bundesrat, Japanese fans of cane  
and paper, which are to have names or  
dedications printed on them, or printed  
stamps of paper stuck on to them, may be  
imported or re-exported free of duty into  
Germany under the conditions governing  
the "improvement of trade."

In view of the insufficient number of  
boats engaged to transport antiquary ores  
to Hankow the Hunan Mining Bureau has  
despatched a member of their staff to  
contract with the Wuchang dockyards for  
several more boats. The Viceroy H.E.  
Chen Kwei-long has instructed Tactai Han  
to make the necessary arrangements.

The returns of the average amount of  
the bank notes in circulation and of specie  
reserves in Hongkong at the end of August  
as certified by the managers of the respec-  
tive banks was as follows:—Chartered  
Bank of India, Australia and China, average  
amount \$3,765,479, specie \$2,800,000.  
Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corpora-  
tion, average amount \$14,594,184, specie  
\$10,000,000. National Bank of China  
Limited, average amount \$108,230, specie  
\$36,000, making a total average amount of  
\$18,467,893 and specie \$12,836,000.

"The Inner Life of the United States"  
is the title which Monsignor Count Vay de  
Vaya has given to his book of impressions  
of social and economic conditions in the  
American Commonwealth. He went out  
to the United States in an unguaranteed  
ship in order to study the problem of poverty,  
and on his arrival mixed with all grades of  
society. We understand that the book,  
which Mr. Murray is to publish shortly,  
gives a vivid picture of the tremendous  
strains under which life is led in the United  
States. Monsignor Count Vay de Vaya  
has many friends in China and Japan.

Chinese papers state that Sir John  
Jordan, H.M. Minister to China, is now  
negotiating with Prince Ching and H.E.  
Yuen Shih-jai about the conclusion of a  
new agreement for the construction of the  
proposed Pukow-Hsingyang (Hunan) rail-  
way with British funds. This is one of  
the five railway concessions granted to  
British capitalists in 1898—the others  
being the Tientsin-Pukow, the Canton-  
Kowloon, the Shanghai-Nanking, the  
Soochow-Hangchow, and Ningpo (now  
Shanghai-Hangchow-Ningpo). It is be-  
lieved in Peking that the agreement for  
the construction of the proposed Pukow-  
Hsingyang line with British capital will be  
made on lines similar to the Tientsin-  
Pukow and the Shanghai-Hangchow-Ning-  
po agreement. The negotiations are  
proceeding smoothly and it is hoped that  
the matter will be settled with satisfaction  
to both parties in the near future. The  
concessionaires are the British and Chinese



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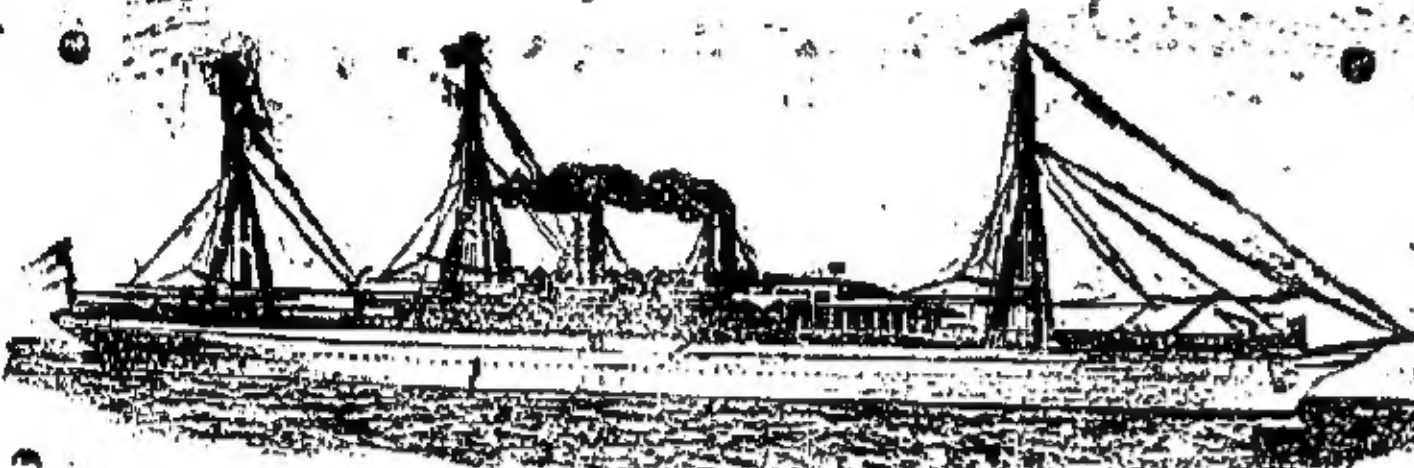
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MARSEILLES, Via PORTS.	AUTRELIEN.	VERNON.	Sept. 15, at 1 p.m.
SHANGHAI, KOBÉ AND YOKOHAMA.	CALEDONNIEN.	MARVIN.	Sept. 28, p.m.
MARSEILLES, Via PORTS.	ERNEST-SIMONS.	GIBARD.	Sept. 29, at 1 p.m.

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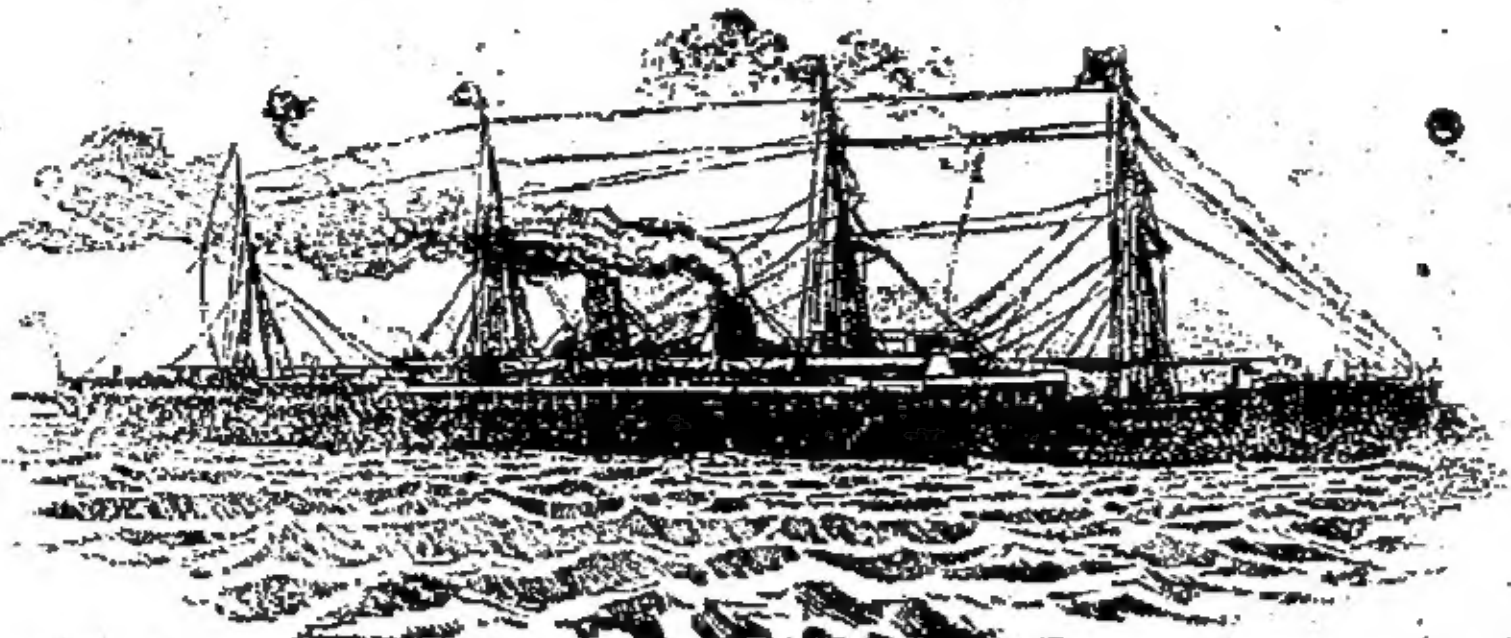
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MANCHURIA	SATURDAY, 3rd Oct., at Noon.
HONGKONG MARU	FRIDAY, 9th Oct., at Noon.
ASIA	SATURDAY, 17th Oct., at Noon.
MONGOLIA	SATURDAY, 24th Oct., at Noon.
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MANCHURIA, 18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 3rd Oct., at Noon.

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2.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m., Every 15 minutes.

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3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m., Every 15 minutes.

5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m., Every 10 minutes.







